

DRAW NEARER
TO TRIESTE

Italians Capture Trenches
Along Slopes of Monte
Pecinka

ON NORTHERN EDGE
OF CARSO PLATEAU

Also Win Success East of
Goritzia Where Trenches
Were Taken

Rome, Aug. 16.—Further advances by the Italians in their campaign against the Austrians east and southeast of Goritzia have been announced by the war department. The Austrian trenches along the slopes of Monte Pecinka on the northern edge of the Carso plateau and east of Goritzia have been taken.

RUSSIANS CAPTURE
GATEWAY TO HUNGARY

Jablentza Seized and Along with It 1500
Prisoners, According to Official
Statement Issued in
Petrograd.

Petrograd, via London, Aug. 16.—The Russians have captured Jablentza, one of the most important gateways through the Carpathians to the Hungarian plains, and have taken nearly 1500 additional prisoners, according to an official statement issued by the war office last night. The text of the statement follows:

"Our troops continue the crossing of the Zlota Lips enemy fire which at many points hampers the construction of bridges. Heavy artillery and machine gun fire is being directed against our works. In this sector we captured seven officers, 413 men and three machine guns.

"In the Carpathian woods at the south of the Pruth the enemy under pressure evacuated Jablentza which we occupied. South of this point we recaptured Vorkhta and Ardipuluf on the Pruth, taking 32 officers and 1006 men prisoners. Our offensive continues."

London, Aug. 16.—The news that the Russians have captured Jablentza, which opens a way for a march from Galicia to the plains of Hungary, was received here with a great deal of satisfaction. This is the first news of an advance by the Russian southern army since the conquest of the Austrian crown land of Bukovina was completed.

Further to the north the Russians are continuing their driving operations against the Austrians with apparently uninterrupted success. Their troops are pouring across the Zlota Lips at several points in spite of desperate resistance on the part of Teutonic forces. Fierce fighting is being waged along the entire line south of Brody and General Brusiloff is apparently making a supreme effort to cut off the army of General von Bothmer and force its surrender.

AUSTRIANS GET RAIN
OF ALLIES' BOMBS

Italian Squadron in French Aeroplanes
Dropped Missiles on Munitions
Factories Near Trieste.

Rome, Aug. 16.—An Italian hydroplane with French aeroplanes bombarded the munitions factory at Muggia, near Trieste, to-day, causing destructive fires.

TO ROB AUSTRIA
TO PAY RUMANIA

Germany Is Said to Have Offered That
in Compensation If Rumania
Remains Neutral.

Bucharest, Aug. 16.—The Epoca announces that Germany has offered territorial compensation to Rumania at the expense of Austria in return for Rumanian neutrality.

FIERCE CANNONADING
ON VERDUN FRONT

Paris Reports That Violent Bombardment
Rules at Thiaumont and
Fleury, East of the
Meuse.

Paris, Aug. 16.—A violent bombardment is being carried on the Verdun front at Thiaumont and Fleury, east of the Meuse, says an official report.

HOUSES WRECKED
BY EARTHQUAKE

Three Cities in Italy Were Shaken, Says
Special Despatch Received in London;
and in Two of Them Buildings
Were Thrown Down.

London, Aug. 16.—The cities of Ancona, Pesaro, and Rimini in Italy were shaken by an earthquake, says a special despatch. At Pesaro and Rimini houses were wrecked.

350,000 MEN TAKEN
BY BRUSILOFF

Russian General Has Met with Tremendous
Success Since Inauguration of
Offensive On June 4—Other
Sections Captured.

Petrograd, Aug. 16.—Between June 4, when the Russian offensive was inaugurated, and Aug. 12, General Brusiloff's forces captured more than 350,000 men, the war office announces.

The Russians have captured a series of heights to the west of Vorkhta and Ardremy in the Carpathians. In the Vorkhta and Dalatyn regions the Austrians are retreating.

KING GEORGE SPENDS
WEEK WITH TROOPS

As Precautionary Measures His Visit
Was Kept a Secret and the Monarch
Went About Almost
Unrecognized.

With the British army in France, via London, Aug. 16.—King George has been at the front for a week. He left yesterday for England and his departure was the first information that the majority of the troops had of his presence. As a matter of precaution the visit was kept a secret and there was no display or big reviews as on the occasion of his visit last fall.

The king simply went about seeing all sections of the army at work and the fields it had won. The flutter of a bit of hunting bearing the royal coat of arms as a motor car sped along the road in clouds of dust and motor truck drivers and passing battalions started and looked around exclaiming, "the king."

The Price of Wales was with the king all the time. The monarch was dressed in khaki with the crossed batons of a field marshal on his shoulders and the prince wore the uniform of a lieutenant in the grenadier guards.

At one point on the line the king met Gen. Sir Henry Rawlinson, commander of the fourth army which delivered the main attack, and Major-General Congreve, whose corps stormed Montauban and Mametz. Alighting from his automobile near Fricourt the king went into the first line of trenches from which the British made their charge. "Now I will breast the parapet as my men did," he said, mounting it. He walked across the old No Man's Land and saw the effects of the British shell fire on the mass of fortifications and trenches which the British had wrested from the Germans.

Standing on the edge of a big shell crater the king looked with a sailor's telescope he was carrying across the foreground of desolation toward Pozieres, the Bazentin, Longueval and Delville wood. He watched the curls of black smoke which signified that the German guns were busy, while nearby him a battery of British guns was sending screaming answers.

"You seem to have missed that," he said to General Rawlinson, indicating a silver of wall still standing in Mametz. "But there is nothing that is not down in La Boisselle as you will see, Your Majesty," said General Rawlinson. "We improve as we advance."

A dramatic moment occurred as the king was walking across a field swept by a British charge. He came to a grave at the bottom of a shell crater with a cross bearing the inscription: "Unknown British Soldier." Both the king and the Prince of Wales halted and saluted the cross.

In common with all visitors the king took away some souvenirs in the shape of empty shell cases and bits of German equipment. As he was leaving the field the soldiers of the reserve, the transport men, gunners on relief and others in the neighborhood followed him until there was a large crowd around the party before they entered their automobiles. Somebody called for three cheers for the king which were given with a will.

Sir Douglas Haig, as the king's host, told him what was worth seeing during his visit and then the king laid out his own program each day. This led him to have a look at a town which had been shelled recently by guns of big calibre. He and the prince went about leisurely examining the enormous craters in the square and the ruins of the old town hall.

When the king visited the men of the Scottish division, which had seen such desperate fighting at Delville or "Devil's Wood" the survivors of the South African division gave him the Zulu war cry. He managed to see something of all kinds of the soldiers fighting under the British flag, from the Scotch, English and Irish, to the troops from overseas. A machine company of the Lancashire in rest quarters on a French farm was most surprised of all by his visit. Leading the way he walked into a barn with its crooked beams and plaster walls and litter of straw on which the men were lying after their turn on the firing line. The most amazed of the company was one soldier with a healthy snore who was the last of those asleep to awaken. Blinking and rubbing his eyes he looked up to see the face of the king. At first he refused to believe that some trick was being played on him, then convinced, he scrambled to his feet while the king broke out laughing.

A RUSSIAN REPULSE.

Germans Captured a Height in Carpathian
Region, Says Berlin.

Berlin, Aug. 16.—German troops have won a success in the Carpathian region, according to the war office announcement to-day, capturing Etarawipczyna height, north of Capul. To the north of the Dniester in Galicia, says the statement, the Russians attacked only weakly and were repulsed.

TO SAVE TRIESTE.

Germany Is Said to Have Taken Over
City's Defense.

Paris, Aug. 16.—It is reported that Germany is taking over the defense of Trieste, sending troops especially organized for the purpose, says a Temps dispatch.

LETIMBRO PASSENGERS TAKEN

Missing Boat Goes Ashore and Occupants
Were Seized by Arabs.

Rome, Aug. 16.—A missing boat from the Italian passenger steamship Letimbro, sunk by a submarine, was driven ashore to-day near Misurata. Its eight passengers were made prisoners by the Arabs.

WILSON HALTS
HIS EFFORTS

In Order to Give Brotherhood
Leaders Chance to
Report Progress

8-HOUR-DAY TRIAL
FOR SIX MONTHS

Is the Proposition Which Is
Now Under Consideration

Washington, D. C., Aug. 16.—President Wilson decided to-day to postpone further conferences with the representatives of the railroads and their employees in the threatened railroad strike until tomorrow when he will receive a general committee of 600 workmen in the White House. In the meantime the committee of the managers here and the general committee of the employees will meet to discuss tentative plans now before them.

The tentative proposal for trying out the eight-hour day for six months was among the suggestions under consideration. For the time being the situation is deadlocked. Administration officials hoped that the groundwork had been established for future negotiations, which might avert a strike.

The plans on which the president is working is to put into effect an eight-hour day and have the federal commission investigate the collateral issues and make recommendations. The halt in the negotiations has been caused primarily by the fact that the brotherhood leaders, who have been meeting with the president, must refer all important questions back to the general committee.

ENGINEERS' AGENT
MAKES REPORT

W. S. Carter Arrived in New York from
Washington and Will Return to the
Capital To-night with the General
Committee.

New York, Aug. 16.—W. S. Carter, president of the brotherhood of engineers, arrived from Washington to-day and was in conference with 600 general chairmen of railroad brotherhoods. Carter said he expected to return to Washington late to-day with the entire general committee traveling on two special trains.

ULTIMATUM SENT
TO SHONTS BY UNION

Threatening to Tie Up Surface Lines,
Elevated and Subway in Greater
New York—Accuses Him of
Discharging Strikers Who
Resumed Work.

New York, Aug. 16.—A tie-up of not only the surface lines in greater New York but of the elevated and subway lines as well was threatened to-day by William Fitzgerald, organizer of the General Union of Railway Men, who with other union leaders charged Theodore Shonts, president of the New York Railway Co., with discharging strikers who had returned to work. An ultimatum was sent to Shonts.

THINK OFFENSIVE NEAR END.

Germans Do Not Believe Anglo-French
Armies Can Go Much Further.

Berlin, Aug. 13, via London, Aug. 16.—The worst of the Anglo-French offensive on the Somme is over, in the opinion of German officers, although it is conceded that the efforts of the allied troops to pierce the German lines have probably not ended. This belief was confidently expressed literally dozens of times to an Associated Press correspondent during a four-day trip along the front from a point not far southeast of Peronne. All agreed that any appreciable future advance by the allies was out of the question.

An interesting feature of nearly every conversation with the German officers, who ranged from Subalterns on the actual front to generals slightly in the rear, was the universal mention of the huge amounts of gas and incendiary which had been used and the difficulty of combating this fighting.

The correspondent's trip was so planned that it was possible to see an infinite variety of the defensive methods employed, from huge mortars that seemed to shoot unceasingly, gas masks which must be available instantly everywhere, observation points constructed at vantage points, captive balloons, aeroplanes and even carrier pigeons kept in the front trenches against the possibility of destruction of other means of communication.

A dramatic climax to the trip was a night battle, viewed from the so-called fighting station commanded by the captain who acted as guide. It was nearly midnight when the captain led the way past a shell-riddled field to an observation point in the top of an apple tree. The whole front was visible for 12 or 14 miles. The heavily clouded sky was illuminated as by lightning by the bursting shells from the French guns a few miles away and the answering fire of the German batteries. The earth fairly shook and speech was difficult. The captain laughingly declared that he enjoyed life in the open far better than his existence in Berlin.

The spirits of the men do not seem depressed and the officers say the soldiers are hard to hold in hand after a long artillery bombardment, and out of relief at its cessation, unnecessarily expose themselves in infantry action which the dispatch ends abruptly at this point, apparently having been cut short by the censor.

SPECIAL SESSION RUMOR
SETS DATE AS AUG. 24.

It is rumored about Montpelier that a special session of the Vermont legislature will be called very soon, and the rumor has it that the date of the convening is to be Thursday, Aug. 24. As yet, however, there is no confirmation of the story.

GREAT NAVAL PLANS
ARE ACCEPTED

Congress Virtually Completed the National
Defense Program When the
House Voted 283 to 51 in
Favor of the Bill.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 16.—Congress virtually completed the national defense program last night by finally approving the great increases in naval construction and personnel written into the naval bill and urgently supported by the administration.

The House accepted the building program to which its conferees on the navy had refused to agree by a vote of 283 to 51, with 7 of the members present not voting. The personnel increases on which there also was a disagreement in conference were approved without a record vote.

The personnel and construction sections which already have the approval of the Senate authorize an increase in enlisted men to 74,700 and the building of 157 war vessels within the next three years, with four battle cruisers and four battleships included among the ships for 1917. Previously the House had refused to adopt a continuing building program, had authorized capital ships, all of them battle cruisers, and had provided for a personnel of only 65,000.

On several less important sections, including appropriations for improvement of navy yards, the House insisted on its disagreement to Senate increases and voted to send the bill back to conference for settlement of these points. An early settlement is expected, however, and the measure may be sent to the president for his signature within a week.

Secretary Daniels issued a statement last night, pointing out that the building authorizations in the bill were the greatest ever passed in any country and would give the United States, in the opinion of naval authorities, the second largest navy in the world. He declares the measure "so complete and nearly perfect that it will stand as a model for all navy bills for future legislators."

The vote by which the House accepted the Senate increase in the building program was non-partisan, the majority of both Democrats and Republicans voting in the affirmative. Of the 51 members who voted in the negative, there were 35 Democrats, 15 Republicans and 1 Socialist.

During debate on the building program, the Republicans insisted that they had led the way toward increases and that the administration was not entitled to all of the credit.

The time allotted opponents of the big program was controlled by Democratic Leader Kitchin, who charged the Democrats with a sharp change of front.

"Two months ago the Democrats, urged by the administration, were asked to vote against the wild, reckless, extravagant appropriations proposed by the Republicans," said Mr. Kitchin. "I denounced the Republican program as reckless criminality. Yet now the chairman of the committee, the secretary of the navy, the president and fellow Democrats ask me to get up here and eat my words."

"When this program passes the Congress and is signed by the president, this nation will be the greatest military nation the world has ever seen. And yet they say we are sane and patriotic."

Republican Leader Mann, advocating the increase, declared it was ordinary wisdom to prepare for "what we hope will never come."

"I want to keep out of war," he said, "but we should be prepared to protect our rights at home and abroad. The credit will belong to the Republican side, for the votes that will pass this larger program."

Senate amendments to which the House disagreed and which will be referred again to conference included these appropriations: \$6,000,000 for equipment of the Puget sound, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Boston, Portsmouth, Charleston and New Orleans navy yards for construction of warships, with immediate equipment of the Puget sound, Philadelphia, Boston and Norfolk yards to build capital ships; \$1,250,000 additional for improvements at the Charleston navy yard, including a dry dock to cost \$1,085,000; \$300,000 to build a new wharf at the Portsmouth navy yard; \$100,000 for a new wharf at the New Orleans navy yard; and \$500,000 for investigation of submarine and aviation bases, and plans for defense of harbors and canals.

A GOAL APIECE
IN SOCCER MATCH

American Team, Playing at Stockholm,
Met with Draw in First Meeting—
King Gustave Saw the
Contest.

Stockholm, Aug. 16.—The first game played here by the American soccer team against Stockholm resulted in a draw. Each side scored a goal. King Gustave saw the contest.

GOT BULLET IN THIGH

Newport Center Youth Injured While
Hunting Squirrels.

St. Johnsbury, Aug. 16.—Laverne Matten of Newport Center, aged 14, was brought to this city Tuesday evening suffering from a 22 calibre bullet wound in his thigh, received while hunting squirrels near his home earlier in the day.

Dr. R. W. Adams, who was called, probed for the bullet but was unable to extract it. He brought the boy by auto to the Brightlock hospital, where X-ray plates were taken by Dr. Fitch to locate the bullet. After several unsuccessful attempts were made to extract the piece of lead the doctors were obliged to give up the task until to-day, when a further effort is being made.

STREET CARS
CRUSH TRUCK

More Than a Score of People
Were Injured at
Providence

HALF OF VICTIMS
ARE IN HOSPITALS

Cars, Going in Opposite Directions,
Caught Truck
Between Them

Providence, Aug. 16.—More than a score of persons were injured when two electric cars traveling in opposite directions crashed into a coal truck that was attempting to cross Broad street. Ten of the injured were removed to hospitals, though it was stated by the physicians that all of them would probably recover. The truck was caught between the cars and demolished.

BLEW OFF TOP OF HEAD

Andrew M. Hayward of Amherst, N. H.,
a Suicide.

Milford, N. H., Aug. 16.—Andrew Murray Hayward, a prosperous and respected farmer who lived in the Baboosic district of Amherst, committed suicide yesterday by shooting himself with a shot gun.

For 30 years Mr. Hayward has made his home in Amherst, coming here from his native town of North Reading, Mass. For a number of years he lived in Ayer, Mass. He was the son of Andrew and Salome Hayward and was born in North Reading, Dec. 28, 1844. In Amherst, he has carried on his farm and managed a considerable dairy business, on which he worked up to yesterday morning. In recent years he has often carried the mails on the rural route, of which his son is the official carrier.

Immediately after breakfast yesterday morning Mr. Hayward went to the barn, as was his usual custom. A minute later the family heard the report of a gun. They found that he had placed the muzzle of the weapon under his chin and discharged it, probably with his foot.

Dr. Oscar Burns of Amherst was summoned, but death was instantaneous. The whole front of the aged man's head was blown off. Coroner C. E. Congdon was called from Nashua, and after he had viewed the body it was turned over to the undertakers. No good explanation is offered for the suicide.

FIRE AT ST. JOHNSBURY.

May Have Been Started by Boys Playing
with Burning Cat-Tails.

St. Johnsbury, Aug. 16.—The residence of Arthur Menut at 46 Concord avenue was damaged by fire early this morning when flames broke out in the buildings in the rear of the structure. The loss is estimated at \$500.

The fire, which was discovered by Mrs. Bert Morrill, started in the woodshed and spread to the back of the building and up under the roof timbers on the back side of the house, where the flames were checked.

The fire when discovered had gained considerable headway and the buildings were ablaze before the department arrived. The members of the family barely having time partly to clothe themselves before seeking refuge in the homes of neighbors.

The cause of the fire is not certain, but two small boys who had been to the pond had brought back some cat-tails and had been playing with them as torches in the afternoon. Mr. Menut thinks it possible that one of these which had not entirely burned out might have been lodged around the shed.

FIELD MEETING HELD

Attended at Brattleboro by 2000 People
—Inspections Were Made.

Brattleboro, Aug. 16.—A field meeting was held at the grounds here yesterday under the joint auspices of the Vermont state grange and the Windham County Agricultural association. About 2000 persons were present. An automobile trip of inspection was made of farms with purebred cattle and demonstration plots of alfalfa and soy beans. Addresses were made by State Master W. N. Cady of Vermont, State Master John A. McSparrrow of Pennsylvania and Thomas Bradley, director of the Vermont experiment station.

ULLERY A CANDIDATE.

He Would Like to Be National Bank
Examiner.

Brattleboro, Aug. 16.—Jacob G. Ullery, president of the Vermont Marble company, former editor of the New England Farmer, and one of the best known Democrats in Vermont, is a candidate for the office of national bank examiner to fill the vacancy caused by the death of James H. Kelleher of Montpelier. Mr. Ullery has telegraphed every member of the Democratic state committee and other prominent Democrats, asking for their support.

THIRD MAN DECLINES.

Will Not Serve as Mediator in Mexican
Trouble.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 16.—The third man originally selected by President Wilson to serve on the commission to compose Mexican border troubles has declined to serve, it became known last night. The president is understood to be considering a long list of available men for appointments in the two places. The name of the third man among the original selections never has been divulged.

\$1,200 OFFERED FOR
OPERA HOUSE LEASE

It Was Made by John T. Callaghan and
Aldermen Authorized a Contract If
Bond Is Furnished to That Amount

—Many Routine Matters Before
the Board.

Aldermen in their regular session last evening looked largely to a bundle of communications for enough business to keep the pot boiling, the mail bag being unusually prolific of odds and ends. Perhaps the most important piece of knitting work uncovered was a letter from John T. Callaghan, in which he offered \$1,200 for the lease of the Barre opera house, beginning Sept. 1. Mr. Callaghan's tender is not particularly auriferous when compared with some of the prices that have been paid for the lease, but the \$1,200 is just the sort of metal that the aldermen have been looking for ever since a budget of bills ranging from \$300 to \$800 began to dribble in. Indeed, the board decided not to look at any tenders under \$1,200 and it was so stated in the most recent call for bids.

And so the opera house is Mr. Callaghan's, if he will but furnish a bond for \$1,200 before next Monday evening. The property committee having been authorized to sign a contract with him if all the specifications are met satisfactorily. In his communication, Mr. Callaghan referred to his career as a theatrical manager in the days when Barre's opera house was not the ample auditorium that it is at present. The prospective lessee, while intimating that he is in no sense a showman of the calibre of Shubert or Hammerstein, expressed his conviction that he could give the city and the show folks a perfectly good run for their money. The motion to sign up, providing a bond is furnished, was made by Alderman Bruce and seconded by Alderman Rossi.

Twenty-one births were registered in July as against nine deaths, according to the report of Dr. J. W. Stewart, which was accepted. Twelve of the new Barreites are females. Four cases of contagious disease were identified as whooping cough and the necrology roll was divided among the following causes: Suicide 1, consumption 4, disease of the heart 1, disease of the kidneys 1, old age 1, premature birth 1.

In the police department in May, read in from the chief's report, there were 67 arrests, 61 for intoxication, 3 for breach of the peace, 2 for violations of the city ordinances and one for non-support.

Overseer W. J. Clapp of the poor department reported a charity appropriation of \$700 from the city council in June. The sum of \$758.08 was disbursed and there was a balance of \$31.01 on hand when the month began. The sum of \$65.19 was received, making the net expense to the city \$692.89. Both reports were accepted.

A letter from John W. Gordon took exception to a charge of \$50.13 levied against him for digging up the pavement in front of his block on North Main street. Mr. Gordon stated that he had agreed with the street department to pay the bill for digging if digging should disclose a defect in his own pipes. He had understood that the city's pipe was at fault and hence the exception. The matter was referred to the street committee.

Maple avenue people petitioned for a street light between the corner and the Hope cemetery entrance and a hydrant in the same locality. The petitions being referred to the lighting and fire committees. Mrs. I. Brogini asked that Sixth street be worked in order to permit autos and teams to reach the eastern extremity and also requested that sewer obstructions be removed. The street committee will look into her requests. Likewise into a notice from B. Mariotti that he is about to use a section of Pike street, owned by him, for private purposes. Joseph Morrill was given permission to transfer to his name the pool room license granted Levi Bianchi some time since. G. Tomasi's request to use a portion of the sidewalk on Cottage street while making alterations to his building was referred to the street committee.

D. Osola asked permission to operate a gasoline engine in his spaghetti factory on North Main street and the fire committee will investigate. A request for special policing during the agricultural picnic at Ayers street Saturday was left with the police committee to act.

An invitation to have the city represented at the international firemen's convention in Providence, R. I., Aug. 29, Sept. 1 was received and discussed at length. Some were for having the city delegate someone to attend, as it is possible that new apparatus may be added to the municipal equipment next year.

Alderman Shurtliff thought the fire chief would be unable to attend on account of disabilities. Opinions differed here and the fire committee was told to use its own discretion in acknowledging the invitation.

Building permits were granted as follows: Arthur Averill, to erect a dwelling house on Tremont street; D. M. Miles Coal Co., to erect a coal shed addition on Smith street; C. L. Currier, to erect a two-tenement house on Sheridan street; G. Aja, to build a piazza on Berlin street; N. M. Nelson, to erect a garage on Summer street.

Wiring permits: Montpelier & Barre Lighting & Power Co., to install eight meters; Lowell McLeod, to install motors; Charlie Wong, for laundry lights; E. A. Young, Arioli & Dente, Mr. Forsythe, H. C. Patterson, Mrs. M. Cook and Montpelier seminary (L. H. Hooker estate), to wire for interior lights; Hoyt & Milne, to change motors; Gerrard Bradley Co., to change stonemason motor; J. B. Sanguinetti, to install stonemason motors.

Reporting on M. Villa's request for permission to build a barn on Granite street, the fire committee recommended that the permit be granted with the reservation that the structure be located five feet from the building line, or in the event that the structure be located only three feet from the line, that a solid brick wall be used. The report was accepted.

Warrants were approved for payment in the following order: Street department payroll, \$510.06; resurfacing, sprinkling, surface sewer, sewer, sidewalk and health accounts; water department payroll, \$62.75; fire department payroll, \$73.96; police department payroll, \$98.89; G. A. Bemis, \$14, services as janitor; treasurer, \$9,454.50, 1916 sinking fund tax; treasurer, \$4,199.37, 1915 water department surplus.

Several other dwellings were saved with the assistance of Plymouth firemen, who sent a motor fire truck here in answer to a summons for help. The electric light and telephone service in the north end of the town was disabled.

WERE FORCED
TO MAKE GOOD

After Selling Vermont Farm
Not Up to Repre-
tations

NEW YORK FINED
IN BENNINGTON COURT

State Commissioner of Agriculture Helped
to Push Case

Manchester, Aug. 16.—A criminal action brought some time ago for the state of Vermont against M. Suskind and Otto Trieb of New York City has been settled in Bennington county court, Judge F. L. Fish presiding, with the men pleading nolo contendere and paying \$2000 fine each, together with a sum of money to Paul Goebel, who, because of alleged misrepresentation, came out second best in a real estate deal. The case has been followed to its successful conclusion by State Commissioner of Agriculture E. S. Brigham of St. Albans since it was first reported to him by the late Bishop W. F. Weeks in the spring of 1913.

An indictment was brought against the men in Bennington county court in June, 1914, and settlement has been prevented up to this time on account of the law's delays. The state expected to prove that Goebel was induced through misrepresentation by N. Suskind & Co., real estate dealers of New York, to buy the Clark Hamilton farm in Sandgate for \$2,700. Among other inducements it is alleged Goebel was told there was a slate mine on the farm, whereas there is none. Later Goebel could not meet the payments and his livestock and tools were foreclosed. Being thus deprived, Goebel had to abandon the farm.

It is said that the farm contained a small acreage of tillable land, not more than 20 acres; that it was stony and difficult to farm; and that competent judges of farms in that vicinity had placed the farm as worth not more than \$1,300. Commissioner Brigham followed the progress of the case closely because his department has been interested in bringing people to Vermont to take up farm lands and he wants to have a fair deal.

GRAND LARCENY CHARGE

Made Against River Street Woman on
Man's Complaint.

Iona Bennett, wife of Joseph Bennett of River street, was arraigned before Acting Magistrate A. A. Sargent in city court last evening on a grand larceny charge, to which she entered a plea of not guilty. Failing to secure surety of \$500, the woman was remanded to the county jail until Friday morning at 9 o'clock, when a hearing is to be held in city court. Her arrest was made on a complaint brought to Grand Juror William Wishart and the police allege that she was implicated with another woman, in the theft of a roll of bills from a caller on River street one night last week. The complainant lives in Montpelier and the moving tale of misfortune which he told the police led to an investigation.

Charles Childs of Montpelier pleaded not guilty to a charge of furnishing liquor illegally when arraigned before the magistrate this morning. Being unable to furnish bail of \$500, he went to the county jail to remain until a hearing is held Thursday afternoon. Childs was arrested on a complaint made to the grand juror. It is alleged that he furnished a minor with intoxicating liquor.

THE SOUTH ROYALTON TOUR.

Large Crowd of Barre People Expected
to Participate To-morrow.